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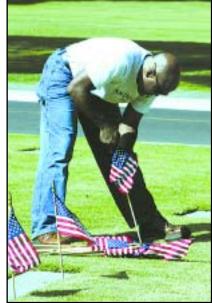
Memorial Day Honoring our fallen

(From left) retired Sergeant Maj. "Hawke" Rocha, former Čpl. Roy Ĺ. Wigington and Sergeant Maj. Gary L. White, sergeant major of Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron-36, 1st Marine Air Wing, Okinawa, Japan, render honors as a joint color guard passes in front of them at the Memorial Day service Monday. White came to Hawaii to let doctors treat a golf-ball sized tumor.



Along with other members of the Marine Corps Base Hawaii Motorcycle Association, Petty Officer 1st Class Tim Chrockrem, hazardous materials controls and management program manager, Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing 2, and president of the MCB Hawaii Motorcycle Association, carries an armful of flags, Saturday, to help adorn veterans' graves for Sunday and Monday's memorial services.





Capt. Michael K. Cagle, company commander, Heavy Marine Squadron, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines, helps place flags on graves in preparation of Memorial Day ceremonies.



Gunnery Sgt. Claudia LaMantia

After singing the national anthem of the Republic of Vietnam members of the Hoi Trung Duong/VNtv Ohana render honors during the playing of the U.S. National Anthem at the Vietnam Veterans Candlelight Ceremony in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Sunday.

Freedom

John Burns

There's a place in this world, I'm sure you will see, remains of a struggle that's now become free.

Where countries were firm to go and secure and raise Iraq's flag to fly every year.

When the wind blew strong with the sand in their face, the troops all held on at a steady pace.

'Cause these fighters of freedom, at the right point in time, all knew they would win. They're one of a kind!

The sound of the jets as they roared through the air, made everyone know that support was there.

And choppers, and tanks, ground troops and ships, and all of the countries, helped make Sadam slip.

As it all clears up, there's hope in the air, the troops will come home. We'll also be there!

Many got hurt. To their families we share the grief and the heartache that is surely there.

They all fought hard as they risked their life to defend a land in the midst of a strife.

We're proud of them all, they made the world see, that everyone wants to truly be free!

